



University of Los Andes
Faculty of Humanities and Education

GRADUATE STUDY PROGRAMS: DESCRIPTION

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**Especializaciones*

*Graduate studies which would be in addition to the undergraduate curriculum.
The degree awarded is *Especialista*



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Sport training

Degree awarded: **Especialista en Educación física, mención Entrenamiento Deportivo.*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 26

Description: this specialization has the purpose to train professionals with the required knowledge to perform as a sports trainer. Our professionals have the ability to optimize and improve sports training, and thereby, improve human performance in physical education and physical activity sector.

Applicant profile

This MA is aimed at:

- Physical education professionals, trainers, specialists in sports training methodology.

Graduate profile:

This specialization trains professionals capable to:

- Advise sports trainers about technical and tactical preparation in high competition teams
- Design specific sports training programs
- Train highly competitive sports teams
- Assist high competition athletes and people who perform sport activities.



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Sports management

Degree awarded: **Especialista en Educación física, mención Gerencia del Deporte.*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 26

Description: our specialization in sports management has the purpose to train professionals with the required knowledge in modern management techniques to participate in the administration process within sports organizations in the country.

Applicant profile

This MA is aimed at:

- Physical education professionals, trainers and specialists in methodology of sports training.

Graduate profile:

This specialization trains professionals capable to:

- Diagnose problems and needs of the areas of physical education, sport and physical activity
- Conduct researches related to the program lines of investigation
- Plan, implement and supervise sport activities
- Advise sports and business facilities to define their policies
- Manage sport facilities
- Work in the human resources area of sport facilities.

****MAESTRÍA**

****** Postgraduate degree following a Bachelor's degree and preceding a Doctorate, usually requiring two years to complete. The degree awarded is *Magíster Scientiae*



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Biomechanics

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae* en Ciencias de la Actividad Física y los Deportes Mención Biomecánica

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 38

Description: this master's degree has the purpose to train professionals capable to understand theoretical and practical knowledge of biomechanics and its relation and dependence of other fields of knowledge; in order to propose, manage and perform research activities that help to resolve specific problems of body mechanics in daily physical activities and sports.

Applicant profile

This MA is aimed at:

- Physical education professionals, trainers, specialists in sports training methodology, physical therapists, physiatrists and orthopedists.

Graduate profile:

This MA trains professionals capable to:

- Analyze the structural and mechanical movement of the human body in different categories of sports disciplines
- Establish mobility and mechanical factors involved in practice and success in high-performance sports
- Conduct biomechanical studies applying novel scientific and methodological knowledge at different levels of the research process

- Study mechanical changes at locomotive system from biomechanical perspective and related disciplines areas through biomechanical analysis techniques.

Admission requirements:

- Pass the preparatory course for admission with a minimum grade of 15 points
- Submit the tutor's acceptance letter where it should be indicated the line's research project
- Submit the research proposal on a topic related to the postgraduate's research lines.

Once the candidate has been admitted must submit the following requirements:

- Application form admission
- Curriculum vitae with their supporting documents
- Four ID type photographs
- Copy of the identity card
- Original birth certificate
- Undergraduate studies official transcript
- Certified copy of university degree grades



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Informatics and instructional design

Degree awarded: **Magister Scientiae en Educación, mención Informática y Diseño Instruccional.

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits:

Description:

This MA has the purpose to train professionals with high academic, technical and scientific preparation standards in computer sciences and instructional design. Our professionals are very well prepared for working environment and research; through which they will be capable to make important contributions to this area of knowledge.

Applicant profile:

The MA in Computer Education and Instructional Design is aimed at:

- Professionals from all areas of knowledge that seek to specialize and innovate in education using information, technology and communication.

Graduate profile:

The MA in Computer Education and Instructional Design trains professionals capable to:

- Innovate in the educational field with the development of software applications, virtual learning environments and educational resources with emerging technologies
- Apply ICT as tools for learning

- Develops educational research related to the use of ICT and Instructional Design
- Conceive training programs and innovative proposals for continuing learning
- Lead techno-educational projects with local, national and international reach.

Admission requirements:

- Possess a bachelor's degree preferably in Humanities, Education, Psychology and Computer Science areas
- Must verify English proficiency through a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes or *La Universidad Central de Venezuela*.

Once the candidate has been admitted must submit the following requirements:

- Certified copy of university degree
- Undergraduate studies official transcript
- An original of the birth certificate
- Curriculum vitae
- Four ID type photographs.



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Venezuelan History

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae en Historia de Venezuela*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 37

Description:

The MA in Venezuelan History has the purpose to train historians capable to create relevant historical Knowledge to the reconstruction and redefinition of our history. It also aims to train professionals able to reproduce theoretical and methodological experiences in the teaching and researching field.

Applicant profile:

The MA in Venezuelan History is aimed at:

- Graduates that have a university degree in history, social sciences or bachelor's degrees related to the Social Sciences area
- Could be accepted graduates from other specialties, but for this type of candidate the Directing Council of the MA will appoint an ad-hoc jury, of three members who will evaluate the credentials and will execute an acceptance test.

Graduate profile:

The MA in Venezuelan History trains professionals capable to perform proper activities of the historical discipline such as:

- Create research schools where historians can produce systematic knowledge and have the possibility to publish their work, product of innovative and qualitative analysis of historical facts

- Train high-level professors in the Venezuelan History field, capable to spread a global and comprehensive perspective of the roots of our historical identity
- Organize colloquiums, seminars, impart courses of professional actualization, in order to contribute to the strengthening and renewal of historical studies in Venezuela.

Admission requirements:

- Must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of School of the Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes
- Take and pass the introductory course in which applicants will demonstrate their theoretical and methodological aptitudes for historical researching.

Once the candidate has been admitted must submit the following requirements:

- Certified copy of university degree
- Undergraduate studies official transcript
- An original and one copy of the birth certificate.
- An original and one copy of the curriculum vitae.
- Four ID type photographs.



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Linguistics

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae en Lingüística*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 34

Description: our master degree in linguistics aims to train professionals with adequate preparation to undertake the scientific study of language. As well as, to produce academic studies that contribute to the solution of linguistic problems, particularly those present at the communities in the Andean Region.

Applicant profile:

- This MA in linguistics is aimed at professionals with university degrees related to the subject matters of the master.

Graduate profile:

The MA in linguistics trains professionals capable to:

- Work in research programs and teaching within the field of linguistics.

Admission requirements:

Fill out and print the Application Form for Admission. This application must be accompanied by the following documents:

- Certified copy of university degree
- Undergraduate studies official transcript
- Birth certificate
- Three ID type photographs
- Curriculum vitae

- The candidates must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes
- Proof of payment of the corresponding fee to the admission test and pre-registration
- Letter in which the applicant agrees to comply with the established regulations

Pre-registration completed, candidates will be subjected to an examination consisting of the following tests:

- Comprehension and expression test of Spanish writing
- Grammatical analysis test.



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Social and cultural studies

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae en Estudios Sociales y Culturales*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 34

Description: this master's degree aims to train committed professionals with the problems of the country and the South American Andes region. As well as equip them with theoretical and methodological knowledge that let them know, understand and participate in social, cultural and environmental processes of the Andean Region.

Applicant profile:

- Graduates of programs related to Anthropology, Sociology, History, Geography, Economics, Education and Ecology.

Graduate profile:

The MA in Social and Cultural Studies trains professionals capable to:

- Have a comprehensively understanding of social processes occurred in the country and in the region of the Andes
- Contribute to the knowledge and design of national and regional development strategies to overcome the social and political crisis in the country.

Admission requirements:

- Have a GPA not less than thirteen (points) in undergraduate career
- Undergo a personal interview conducted by the commission appointed by the Directing Council of the MA, with the purpose to know the research lines preferred by the participant

- Must verify his/her sufficiency in English or French through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes or La Universidad Central de Venezuela.
- Submit a research proposal on a topic related to the postgraduate's research lines.

Once the candidate has been admitted must submit the following requirements:

- Curriculum vitae with their supporting documents
- Copy of the identity card
- Birth certificate.



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Philosophy

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae en Filosofía*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 34

Description: this master's degree aims to train professionals with profound and clear knowledge on rational logical thinking, the historical development of western thought and methods and problems of logic and philosophy.

Applicant profile:

- This Master degree is aimed at university graduates from all areas of knowledge

Graduate profile:

The MA in Philosophy trains professionals capable to:

- Propose and resolve philosophical problems
- Investigate and teach different philosophical topics, according to their interests
- From a solid philosophical formation they could base, reformulate, refresh and expand the horizons of philosophical activity.

Admission requirements:

- Proof of having passed the Admission Test,

Once the candidate has been admitted must submit the following requirements:

- Certified copy of university degree
- Undergraduate studies official transcript
- Birth certificate
- Copy of the identity card

- Four ID type photographs
- Curriculum vitae with their supporting documents.



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Educative Evaluation

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae en Evaluación Educativa*

Duration: 3 academic periods

Credits: 18

Description: this master's degree has the purpose to train highly-qualified professionals with a profound critical reflection on the conceptual, ethical and methodological foundations that support the evaluative knowledge and its transfer. As well as, instructs experts with the ability to conduct scientific research aimed to design, manage and innovate evaluation programs at different levels of the educational system.

Applicant profile

The MA in Educational Evaluation is aimed at:

Professionals who have an undergraduate degree in Education.

Admission requirements:

- Certified copy of university degree
- Undergraduate studies official transcript
- Copy of the identity card
- Birth certificate
- Curriculum vitae
- Four ID type photographs.



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Foreign Languages

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae en Enseñanza/Aprendizaje de las Lenguas Extranjeras.*

Time for degree completion: 4 academic semesters

Credits hours: 43

Description: this master's degree address the theoretical/practical analysis of teaching foreign languages in our country. It also permits to contribute to the solution of various problems that arise at basic, middle and higher levels of the foreign language education.

Profile of prospective students:

The MA in teaching and learning foreign languages is aimed at:

- Graduates of programs related to modern languages, linguistics, literature and education of a foreign language
- Teachers of foreign languages
- Graduates of social sciences related to this area of knowledge
- Professionals with a minimum of two (2) years of teaching experience in the area, at any level of education.

Graduate profile:

The MA in teaching and learning foreign languages trains professionals capable to:

- Design and implement teaching/learning strategies of foreign languages instruction that can be used in the classroom and are consistent with the socio-cultural reality of our country

- The graduate of this Master Program will also be able to train other professionals in the area of Applied Linguistics to the teaching/learning process of a foreign language
- Lead research projects using appropriate theoretical and methodological fundamentals to contribute to studies in the area of Applied Linguistics to the teaching/learning process of a foreign language.

Admission requirements:

- Have a GPA not less than fourteen (points) in undergraduate career
- Those candidates who have a degree in a specialty that is not foreign languages must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a four skills proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes
- Write an essay in Spanish as part of the selection process
- Obtain approval in the personal interview conducted by the commission appointed by the Directing Council of the MA.



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Reading and Writing

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae en Educación Mención Lectura y Escritura.*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 40

Description: this master's degree has the purpose to train highly-qualified professionals capable to analyze the reading and writing process, its learning and development, and give solutions to complex problems related to the area.

Applicant profile

The MA in teaching reading and writing is aimed at:

Professionals who have an undergraduate degree in Education, Psychology and Literature.

Graduate profile:

The MA in reading and writing teaching trains professionals capable to:

- Design, manage and advice research projects in the area of written language at different educational levels
- Conform interdisciplinary teams responsible for analyzing and researching different factors involved in learning and teaching reading and writing process.

Admission requirements:

- Approve the admission test.

Once the candidate has been admitted must submit the following requirements:

- Certified copy of university degree

- Undergraduate studies official transcript
- Copy of the identity card
- Birth certificate
- A good conduct certificate issued by the teachers association.*
- Curriculum vitae
- Four ID type photographs
- Pass the preparatory course for admission with a minimum grade of 15 points.



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Latin-America Literature

Degree awarded: ***Magister Scientiae en Literatura Iberoamericana*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 40

Description: The MA in Latin-American Literature has the purpose to provide academic, theoretical and methodological training that helps to understand continent's literature and culture. In this sense, its main purpose is to provide tools for research and reflection, both epistemological and hermeneutic on the literary object.

Applicant profile

The MA in Latin-American literature is aimed at graduate professionals in teaching and research areas.

Graduate profile:

The MA in Latin-American literature trains professionals capable to:

- Interpret Latin-American literary phenomenon in accordance with the study of our socio-historical processes related to cultural specificities of our continent
- Understand literature as bases of language and as a legitimate testimony of historical, cultural, social and individual processes
- Dexterity in the use of strategies and materials for teaching Latin-American literature
- Research and literature criticism.

Admission requirements:

- The candidates must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes
- Original and two certified copy of the university degree
- Original and two copies of the undergraduate studies official transcript
- Original and two copies of the curriculum vitae with their supporting documents
- Three ID type photographs
- Original and two Copies of the identity card.

**DOCTORADOS*

*Highest level of academic **degree**. They require research thesis to be completed. The degree awarded is *Doctor*



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Human Sciences

Degree awarded: ****Doctor en Ciencias Humanas.*

Duration:

Credits: 30

Description: the doctoral studies in human sciences have the aim to develop scientific knowledge and form human talent with high, competitive and interdisciplinary academic level, capable to respond to the problems and changing needs that affect human beings and their environment.

Applicant profile:

- This doctorate degree is a multidisciplinary program aimed at university graduates from all areas of knowledge.

Graduate profile:

- Our professionals should be capable to plan, organize, conduct, implement and evaluate research programs in autonomous and independent manner, according to their interest, personal creation, intellectual production/authoring and knowledge acquired in the Ph.D. They also would be capable to teach at any higher education institution in the country or abroad.

Admission requirements:

- Submit a written statement where it should be explained the research problem, methodology, theoretical and bibliographic support
- Submit the tutor's acceptance letter
- The candidates must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes

- Copy of the identity card
- Undergraduate and master studies official transcript
- Certified copy of university and master degree
- Original and two copies of the curriculum vitae with their supporting documents. (PEI format)
- Birth certificate
- Copy of the identity card
- Two ID type photographs.

Once the candidate has been admitted must:

- Undergo a personal interview conducted by the commission appointed by the Directing Council of the MA.
- Cancel the amount corresponding to (3. T.U) for the registration.



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Education

Degree awarded: ****Doctor en Educación.*

Duration: 5 years

Credits: 45

Description: doctoral studies in education have the purpose to develop and produce scientific independent knowledge, original investigation and make meaningful contributions that would benefit the country's education at all levels and modalities.

Applicant profile:

- This doctorate degree is a multidisciplinary program aimed at university graduates from all areas of knowledge.

Graduate profile:

- Our professionals should be capable to plan, organize, conduct, implement and evaluate research programs in autonomous and independent manner, according to their interest, personal creation, intellectual production/authoring and knowledge acquired in the Ph. D.
- They also would be capable to teach at any higher education institution in the country or abroad.

Admission requirements:

- Possess an undergraduate degree in education, psychology, philosophy, history or related areas according to the opinion of the Directing Council of the Doctorate.
- The GPA should not be less than 16 points
- Prove critical and analytical capacity, as well as theoretical and methodological management, required for research in education area

- Must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes
- Demonstrate mastery of the Spanish language in reading and writing
- Submit the preliminary draft of doctoral research supporting by the tutor. If this preliminary draft may include transdisciplinary approach in connection with another doctoral program, for it the co-tutor approval is required.

Accompany the Application Form with the following documents:

- Undergraduate and master studies official transcript
- Certified copy of university and master degree
- Two reference letters from active professors or researchers in the country or abroad.
- Proof of payment of registration fee
- Curriculum vitae
- Two ID type photographs
- Birth certificate
- Submit the tutor's acceptance letter and co-tutor's acceptance letter, if applicable
- Undergo a personal interview conducted by the commission appointed by the Directing Council of the MA, with the purpose to know the research lines preferred by the participant, and his ability to develop creative and independent intellectual work.



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Physical Sciences and Sports

Degree awarded: ****Doctor en Ciencias de la Actividad Física y el Deporte*

Duration: 5 years

Credits: 45

Description: this doctorate degree is a multidisciplinary program with the aim to train professionals capable to satisfy training needs of human talent in physical activity, physical education and sport pedagogy, recreation and corporal expression areas.

Applicant profile:

- This doctorate degree is a multidisciplinary program aimed at university graduates with a specialization in Physical education and sport pedagogy and sports training methodology.

Graduate profile:

- Our professionals should be capable to plan, organize, conduct, implement and evaluate research programs in autonomous and independent manner, according to their interest, personal creation, intellectual authoring and knowledge acquired in the Ph. D.
- They also would be capable to teach at any higher education institution in the country or abroad.
- They also will be capable to manage different institutions directly related to sports, recreation, dance and health, such as: physical education departments at universities, government and non-government agencies where physical activity for health, recreation, sport and dance is managed.

- Act as proactive and committed leader to improve the quality of sport practice and recreation of all citizen.

Admission requirements:

- Submit three copies of a written statement where it should be explained the research problem, methodology, theoretical and bibliographic support
- Submit the tutor's acceptance letter
- Application form admission with three ID type photographs
- Curriculum vitae with their supporting documents
- Undergraduate studies official transcript
- Postgraduate studies official transcript
- Certified copy of university degree
- Certified copy of postgraduate degree
- Employment certificate
- Copy of the identity card
- Proof of payment of registration fee
- The candidates must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes.



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Linguistics

Degree awarded: ****Doctor en Lingüística*

Duration: 5 years

Credits:

Description: the doctorate in linguistics has the purpose to train highly competitive researchers with interest in develop investigations applied in different areas of linguistics.

Applicant profile:

This Ph. D. in linguistics is aimed at professionals who have at least a university degree equivalent to Literature, Modern Languages, Education, Philosophy and History.

Graduate profile:

Our professionals should be capable to:

- Domain at an advanced level of theoretical knowledge of linguistic discipline and their particular area of expertise
- Plan, organize, conduct, implement and evaluate research programs in autonomous and independent manner according to their interests, personal creation, intellectual production and knowledge acquired in the Ph. D.
- Ability to discern which theory and what method use according to the nature of the object of study and research objectives
- Aptitude to work in cross-disciplinary teams and national and international networks of scientific research

- Competence to strengthen the research in linguistics at the University of Los Andes and other research centers in the country and the world
- Ability to spread properly the product of their investigations
- Promote investigations that responds to the demands of social and cultural development of the environment
- Teach at any higher education institution in the country or abroad.

Admission requirements:

- Fill the admission form

Request to the Directing Council the admission to the Ph. D. in Linguistics. This application must be accompanied by the following documents: (with their respective copy)

- Submit thesis preliminary draft
- Have a GPA undergraduate career not less than fifteen (points)
- Curriculum vitae with their supporting documents
- Three ID type photographs
- Propose to the Directive Council a selected tutor from the professorial staff of the Ph. D or an external tutor with a co-tutor teacher chosen from the professorial staff of the Ph. D.
- Undergo a personal interview conducted by the commission ad-hoc appointed by the Directing Council of the Ph. D. without the participation of the tutor, in order that the applicants prove their capacity to perform an intellectual, original and creative work in the course of their doctoral studies.



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Letters

Degree awarded: ****Doctor en Letras*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 40

Description: the doctorate in letters has the purpose to train highly competitive researchers capable to develop investigations about national, Latin American and universal literature in relationship and dialogue with the aesthetic-social processes and phenomena in other fields of knowledge.

Applicant profile:

This Ph. D. in literature is aimed at professionals graduate from Literature and with a master degree in Literature, Social Sciences, Psychology, Philosophy, Linguistics, Communication Sciences, Visual Arts, Modern Languages and related areas.

Graduate profile:

- Our professionals should be capable to plan, organize, conduct, implement and evaluate research programs in autonomous and independent manner, according to their personal creation and intellectual authoring and knowledge acquired in the Ph. D.
- They also would be capable to teach at any higher education institution in the country or abroad.

Admission requirements:

- Birth certificate
- Undergraduate and master studies official transcript
- Certified copy of university and master degree
- Two ID type photographs

- The candidates must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes.



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Philosophy

Degree awarded: *** *Doctor en Filosofía*

Duration: 4 academic semesters

Credits: 34

Description: the doctor degree in philosophy aims improve and spread the Venezuelan philosophical production and reinforce one of the essential areas of humanities, through the creation of research centers of philosophical reflection in the region, in the country and in the continent.

Applicant profile:

- This Ph. D. in Philosophy is aimed at professionals with an undergraduate career from Humanities and Social Sciences. Is mandatory to have a master degree in Philosophy.

Graduate profile:

The MA in Philosophy trains professionals capable to:

- Plan, organize, conduct, implement and evaluate research programs in autonomous and independent manner, according to their personal creation and intellectual authoring and knowledge acquired in the Ph. D.
- They also would be capable to teach at any higher education institution in the country or abroad.

Admission requirements:

- Submit a written statement where it should be explained the research problem, methodology, theoretical and bibliographic support
- Submit the tutor's acceptance letter

- The candidates must verify their sufficiency in a foreign language through the presentation of a general proficiency test, applied by the Proficiency Test Unit of the School of Modern Languages at the University of Los Andes. If the thesis will be about a philosopher who has written his works in another language, different to Spanish, the instrumental knowledge of that language is required.
- Copy of the identity card
- Undergraduate and master studies official transcript
- Certified copy of university and master degree
- Original and two copies of the curriculum vitae with their supporting documents.
- Birth certificate
- Copy of the identity card
- Four ID type photographs.